That's all the news we have from abroad, so we'll now move on to items of interest here in Northeast Ohio...

I got a letter from Knights of Lithuania President Richard Marks this week extending wishes for a happy and healthy new year. He also asked that I read the following on the air in his behalf.

"The members of the Knights of Lithuania wish to congratulate Gene Kunsitis for the recent articles that appeared in the USA Today and Plain Dealer on his creation of a two sided coin the size of a silver dollar called the "Pocket Analyst". On one side, it features a bull and on the other side, a bear. It was a popular gift item with the Wall Street traders and stock brokers.

The popularity of this coin was so great that it kept Gene and his wife Ursula answering the phone and filling orders. Mailings were send throughout the United States and as far as Hong Kong, Australia, Germany and England. Congratulations once again to designing and coin purely for fun and having it turn out very successfully."

And we at the Lithuanian Voice certainly join with the Knights of Lithuania in congratulating Mr. Kunsitis and his wife on their notoriety. 944-7759

Today at OLPH parish, 10:00 a.m. mass will be concelebrated by Father Kijauskas along with Jesuit guests from Lithuania and Chicago. We welcome a distinguished guest from Lithuania, Father Jonas Boruta who studied for the priesthood underground and was secretly ordained in 1982. Boruta holds doctorate degrees in physics and mathematics and teaches at Vilnius University. He is very active in Catholic teaching and is provincial of Lithuanian/Latvian Jesuits. Father Borutas is also a member of Lithuania's Culture and Education Council. After his visit in Cleveland, Borutas will travel to Chicago and then return to Vilnius in January 10th.